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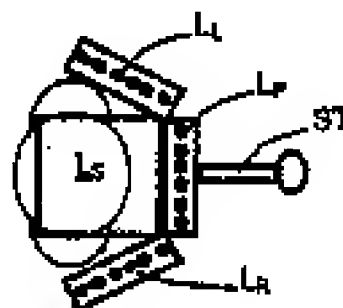
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(54) Therapeutic light source and method

(57) A therapeutic light source comprises rigid arrays of LED's (L_F , L_L , L_R) movably connected together, and cooled by forced air convection. The output intensity of the arrays is at least 10 mW/cm^2 with a spatial intensity fluctuation of 10% or less in the treatment field. The emission spectral of the LED's may be substantially limited to the range 400 to 430 nm, or 590 to 640 nm. The light source may be used for cosmetic treatment, such as skin rejuvenation, wrinkle removal and/or biostimulation.

Fig. 20a





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The Search Division considers that the present European patent application does not comply with the requirements of unity of invention and relates to several inventions or groups of inventions, namely:

1. claims: 1-4 and 7-19 (if dependent on claim 1)

A light source for therapy comprising a first, second and third rigid array of light emitting diodes movably connected to the first array.

2. claims: 5, 6 and 7-19 (if dependent on claim 5)

A therapeutic light source comprising an array of light emitting diodes with an output intensity of at least 10 mW/cm² and a spatial intensity fluctuation of 10% or less.

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